

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/697,625

Examiner

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Applicant(s)

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed 25 January 2006.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-14 and 17-25.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Richard Krinsky on 14 April 2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

Amend claim 1 to read as follows:

A remote child monitoring system comprising:

a plurality of transmitters for monitoring audio at different locations and automatically transmitting the monitored audio at different frequencies from the different locations;

at least one receiver remote from the transmitters for receiving and announcing the transmitted audio from the plurality of transmitters;

the receiver having a first mode for sequentially announcing the transmitted audio from the transmitters and a second mode for announcing the transmitted audio from a selected transmitter; and

wherein the receiver includes a different indicator for each transmitter and indicates which transmitter is being announced; and
wherein each transmitter has a different color housing, and the indicators have a corresponding color.

Amend claim 14 to read as follows:

The system according to Claim 1, wherein the receiver includes indication of which transmitter is being announced and ~~level of the audio being announced~~ a strength of received signal being announced.

Amend claim 17 to read as follows:

The system according to claim 1, wherein the receiver includes indication of ~~level of the audio being announced~~ a strength of received signal being announced.

Amend claim 24 to read as follows:

A remote child monitoring system comprising:

a plurality of transmitters for monitoring audio at different locations and automatically transmitting the monitored audio at different frequencies from the different locations;

at least one receiver remote from the transmitters for receiving and announcing the transmitted audio from the plurality of transmitters; and

the receiver having a first control for selecting sequentially announcing the transmitted audio from the transmitters and a plurality of second controls, one for each transmitter, for selecting and announcing the transmitted audio from a selected transmitter; and

wherein each transmitter has a different color housing and the receiver includes buttons having a corresponding color.

Cancel claims 15, 16 and 26.

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-14 and 17-25 are allowed.
3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: with respect to independent claims 1 and 24, the prior art does not disclose nor suggest a remote child monitoring system wherein there are a plurality of transmitters for monitoring audio at different locations and automatically transmitting the audio at different frequencies from the different locations with a remote receiver for receiving and announcing the transmitted audio wherein the receiver has a first mode for sequentially announcing the transmitted audio from the transmitters and a second mode for announced the transmitted audio from a selected transmitter wherein each transmitter has a different color housing and the receiver includes indicators or buttons that have a corresponding color and indicate which transmitter is currently transmitting.

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Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Travis R. Hunnings whose telephone number is (571) 272-3118. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00 am - 5:00 pm M-F.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Daniel J. Wu can be reached on (571) 272-2964. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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